



**NOTICE OF 30-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**  
**Charleston Cooks Property**  
**194 East Bay Street, Charleston, SC**

DHEC (the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control) is accepting public comments on a proposed Voluntary Cleanup Contract through April 13, 2016.

The Voluntary Cleanup Contract, 16-6387-NRP, will affect approximately 0.14 acres located at 194 East Bay Street in Charleston, South Carolina. The property is further identified by Charleston County tax map number 4580902031. A company known as Pavilion – East Bay, LLC (Pavilion), wants to acquire the property from the current owners. This Voluntary Cleanup Contract will be between DHEC and Pavilion.

Past uses of the property include industrial and commercial uses since the late 1800's including a phosphate fertilizer company, a cement and lime company, and an ironworks company. Some of the past uses may have caused environmental pollution on the property.

Pavilion intends to develop the existing building on the property as a restaurant. If this Voluntary Cleanup Contract is implemented, DHEC will allow Pavilion to acquire the property as a "Brownfields Site" because of the potential for environmental pollution from past activity on the property. DHEC will not hold Pavilion responsible for pre-existing pollution in exchange for doing work under the Voluntary Cleanup Contract. Under the proposed contract, Pavilion will test soil and groundwater on the property. If significant contamination is found, Pavilion will be required to take steps to protect human health and the environment. Pavilion did not create the pollution, but will control it to keep the property safe for re-use.

DHEC uses Voluntary Cleanup Contracts to encourage productive reuse of Brownfield sites. Under State law, Pavilion will not be responsible if anyone has been affected by the contamination. The responsibility of former owners or operators of the property is not reduced by this contract. .

The proposed contract is available at <http://www.scdhec.gov/PublicNotices/> . Printed copies may be obtained from the DHEC Freedom of Information Office at (803) 898-3882.

The public may provide written, email, or telephone comments on the proposed contract through April 13, 2016. Questions or comments may be directed to Angela Gorman, Project Manager, by e-mail at [gormanak@dhec.sc.gov](mailto:gormanak@dhec.sc.gov), telephone (803) 898-0929, or TOLL-FREE telephone (866) 576-3432. Written comments should be directed to Angela Gorman at SCDHEC, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, SC 29201.